2014-2015 Annual Assessment Report Template v16

FOR GRADUATE AND CREDENTIAL PROGRAMS: THIS TEMPLATE REFERS TO SAC STATE BACCALAUREATE LEARNING GOALS. PLEASE IGNORE THESE REFERENCES IN YOUR REPORT. **Question 1: Program Learning Outcomes Q1.1.** Which of the following Program Learning Outcomes Q1.3. Are your PLOs closely aligned with the mission of the (PLOs) and Sac State Baccalaureate Learning Goals (BLGs) did university? you assess in 2014-2015? [Check all that apply] X 1. Yes 2. No 1. Critical thinking 3. Don't know Χ 2. Information literacy 3. Written communication Q1.4. Is your program externally accredited (other than through 4. Oral communication WASC)? 5. Quantitative literacy 1. Yes 6. Inquiry and analysis 2. No (Go to Q1.5) 7. Creative thinking 3. Don't know (Go to **Q1.5**) 8. Reading 9. Team work Q1.4.1. If the answer to Q1.4 is yes, are your PLOs closely aligned 10. Problem solving with the mission/goals/outcomes of the accreditation agency? 11. Civic knowledge and engagement 1. Yes 12. Intercultural knowledge and competency 2. No 3. Don't know 13. Ethical reasoning 14. Foundations and skills for lifelong learning Q1.5. Did your program use the Degree Qualification Profile (DQP) 15. Global learning to develop your PLO(s)? 16. Integrative and applied learning 17. Overall competencies for GE Knowledge 1. Yes 18. Overall competencies in the major/discipline 2. No, but I know what the DQP is 19. Other, specify any PLOs that were assessed in 2014-2015 but not included above: 3. No, I don't know what the DQP is. 4. Don't know a. b. Q1.6. Did you use action verbs to make each PLO measurable (See Attachment I)? Q1.2. Please provide more detailed background information about EACH PLO you checked Q1.2.1. Do you have rubrics for above and other information such as how your specific PLOs were explicitly linked to the Sac vour PLOs? State BLGs: 1) **Information Literacy:** Know, explain & use feminist perspectives. This criterion 1. Yes, for all PLOs was used to measure students' understanding and competency in feminist literature and 2. Yes, but for some PLOs perspectives through engagement with various classic texts dealing with historical, 3. No rubrics for PLOs socio-cultural, sexual, political and economic challenges faced by women & minorities. N/A, other (please specify): Students were assessed for knowledge of feminist literature, theories and methods from interdisciplinary, intercultural and intersectional perspectives. This PLO is directly linked to the following two University Baccalaureate Learning Goals: Competence in the Discipline & knowledge of Human Cultures and the Physical and natural world; and Personal and Social Responsibility. Women's Studies is one of few disciplines where students read texts addressing social justice, discrimination, global power struggles, & structural inequalities. Most Women's Studies Majors develop strong perspectives on these issues and have a highly developed sense of personal and social responsibility.

2) Critical Thinking, Inquiry & Analysis: Analyze & comparatively evaluate various theories in Women's Studies. The emphasis on Critical Inquiry and Analysis requires

students to examine mu and analyses through ex structures & inequalitie minorities every day us linked to Intellectual an complex texts and issue effective written assign	kamination and evalues encountered by we ing theoretical texts and Practical Skills, i.e., and effectively coas, and effectively coas.	uation of social and omen, sexual, ethnic in Women's Studie e., the ability to com	institutional pove and underprivil s. This PLO is disprehend and eva	ver eged irectly aluate		
In questions	2 THROUGH 5, REF	PORT IN DETAIL ON	ONE PLO THA	AT YOU A	ASSESSED IN 2014 -	-2015
Que	stion 2: Stand	dard of Perfor	mance for	the s	elected PLO	
Q 2.1 . Specify one PLO he assessment (be sure you	•	•			as the program develond as the program develor develors of the contract of the	-
Both the PLO's were assesse			•	for this	-	periormanee
Women's Studies, WOMS 18	30: Seminar in Feminist T	heory.		x 1. \		
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				l 	Don't know N/A	
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Q2.3. Please provide the	rubric(s) and standard	d of performance that	you have develo	ped for th	nis PLO here or in the	appendix: [Word
limit: 300						
Detailed Rubric is attache	d in the appendix. We	e set the expectation t	:hat at least 70% o	of majors	will attain a 3 in the t	wo PLO's
assessed. Please see deta		K.				
Grading Criteria	4 – Highly	3 – Mostly	2 – Slight		1 – Barely	
1 -) T6	Competent	Competent	Compete		Competent	-
1. a) Information Literacy: Know,	A clear application and	Application of feminist theory	Some applicati feminist theory		Hardly any application of	
explain & use	mastery of	with	Over all	y	feminist theory	
feminist perspectives.	feminist theory.	Clear	interpretation a	and	Several	
2) Critical Thinking,	Excellent	interpretation of	analysis okay,		interpretation	
Inquiry & Analysis:	evaluation of	texts with	problems in so		problems.	
Analyze &	complex	comparative	places.		_	
comparatively	arguments within	perspectives.				
evaluate the value of	and between					
texts & theories in						
Women's Studies.	texts.					

Q2.4. Please indicate the category in which the selected PLO falls	into.			
x 1. Critical thinking				
x 2. Information literacy				
3. Written communication				
4. Oral communication				
5. Quantitative literacy				
x 6. Inquiry and analysis				
7. Creative thinking				
8. Reading				
9. Team work				
10. Problem solving				
11. Civic knowledge and engagement				
12. Intercultural knowledge and competency				
13. Ethical reasoning				
14. Foundations and skills for lifelong learning				
15. Global learning				
l 				
16. Integrative and applied learning				
17. Overall competencies for GE Knowledge				
18. Overall competencies in the major/discipline				
19. Other:				
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Please indicate where you have published the PLO, the standard the rubric that measures the PLO:	or performance, and	Q2.5	Q2.6	Q2.7
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		(1) PLO	(2) Standards Performance	(3) Rubrics
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1. In SOME course syllabi/assignments in the program that addre	ss the PLO	х	х	Х
2. In ALL course syllabi/assignments in the program that address	the PLO			
3. In the student handbook/advising handbook				
4. In the university catalogue				
5. On the academic unit website or in newsletters				
6. In the assessment or program review reports, plans, resources	or activities	х	Х	Х
7. In new course proposal forms in the department/college/unive				
8. In the department/college/university's strategic plans and other	-			
9. In the department/college/university's budget plans and other				
10. Other, specify:		<u> </u>		
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Question 3: Data Collection	i wiethous and Evaluation	1 01		
Data Quality for	the <u>Selected</u> PLO			
Q3.1. Was assessment data/evidence collected for the selected	Q3.2. If yes, was the data scored/evalue	uated for	thic DI∩ i	n 201/L
PLO in 2014-2015?	2015?	auteu ioi	tilis i LO II	11 2014
x 1. Yes	x 1. Yes			
	1 - 1			
2. No (Skip to Q6)	2. No (Skip to Q6)			
3. Don't know (Skip to Q6)	3. Don't know (Skip to Q6)			
4. N/A (Skip to Q6)	4. N/A (Skip to Q6)			
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did you use to assess this PLO? One direct assessment was used, the final assignment for the capstone seminar in Women's Studies.		Q3.2A Please describe how you collected the assessment data for the selected PLO. For example, in what course(s) or by what means were data collected (see Attachment II)? [Word limit: 300] The final essay for the capstone course: WOMS 180: Seminar in Feminist Theory, submitted in response to an assignment prompt constructed to assess the PLO's. All Women's Studies majors participating in the course were assessed.			
Q3A: Direct Me	easures (key ass	ignments, proje	cts, portfolios)		
Q3.3. Were direct measures [key assignment portfolios, etc.] used to assess this PLO? x 1. Yes 2. No (Go to Q3.7) 3. Don't know (Go to Q3.7)	ts, projects,	1. Capstone proj courses, or expe x 2. Key assignmen	following direct measures were used? ects (including theses, senior theses), riences nts from required classes in the program nts from elective classes		
Q3.3.2. Please attach the direct measure you data. Final Assignment Prompt Attached.	u used to collect	4. Classroom bas simulations, com 5. External perfo	sed performance assessments such as inprehensive exams, critiques inmance assessments such as internships inity based projects		
Q3.4. How was the data evaluated? [Select of a content of the cont	lence (Go to Q3.5) ne faculty who teaches group of faculty	s the class			
Q3.4.1. Was the direct measure (e.g. assignment, thesis, etc.) aligned directly and explicitly with the PLO? x 1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know 4. N/A	Q3.4.2. Was the direct assignment, thesis, et and explicitly with the x 1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know 4. N/A	tc.) aligned directly	Q3.4.3. Was the rubric aligned directly and explicitly with the PLO? X 1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know 4. N/A		
Q3.5. How many faculty members participat assessment data collection of the selected Pl The two full-time faculty members, Tristan Jo Moni.	LO?		as evaluated by multiple scorers, was there procedure to make sure everyone was		

Q3.6. How did you select the sample of stude projects, portfolios, etc.]? There was no selection process. All the paper Women's Studies majors were assessed.	-	to re	eview? /omen's Studies is a	decide how many samples of student work a small major we have always been reviewing all by the majors in the discipline.
Q3.6.2. How many students were in the class or program?	Q3.6.3. How many sa work did you evaluat 16		s of student	Q3.6.4. Was the sample size of student work for the direct measure adequate? x 1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know
Q3B: Indirect M	easures (survey:	s, fo	cus groups,	interviews, etc.)
Q3.7. Were indirect measures used to asses 1. Yes x 2. No (Skip to Q3.8) 3. Don't know Q3.7.2 If surveys were used, how was the same same same same same same same sam	ample size decided?	[Che	1. National stude 2. University con 3. College/Depar 4. Alumni survey 5. Employer surv 6. Advisory board 7. Other, specify	ent surveys (e.g., NSSE) iducted student surveys (e.g. OIR) rtment/program student surveys rs, focus groups, or interviews reys, focus groups, or interviews d surveys, focus groups, or interviews
Q3C: Other Med	•			licensing exams,
	standardize			
Q3.8. Were external benchmarking data suclicensing exams or standardized tests used to assess the PLO? 1. Yes 2. No (Go to Q3.8.2) 3. Don't know	1. Natio	onal d eral kr er stan	isciplinary exams lowledge and skil dardized knowle	easures were used? For state/professional licensure exams Ils measures (e.g., CLA, CAAP, ETS PP, etc.) dge and skill exams (e.g., ETS, GRE, etc.)
Q3.8.2. Were other measures used to asses 1. Yes x 2. No (Go to Q3.9) 3. Don't know (Go to Q3.9)	s the PLO?	Q3.8	3.3. If other meas	sures were used, please specify:
	Q3D: Alignme	nt a	nd Quality	
Q3.9. Did the data, including the direct mea different assessment tools/measures/methorPLO? x 1. Yes 2. No.		the	· ·	LL the assessment s/methods that were used good measures

3. Don't know	3. Don't know

Question 4: Data, Findings and Conclusions

Q4.1. Please provide simple tables and/or graphs to summarize the assessment data, findings, and conclusions: (see Attachment III) [Word limit: 600 for selected PLO]

PLO 1 Information Literacy: Knowledge & understanding of feminist perspectives (out of 4)	PLO 2 Critical thinking, Inquiry & Analysis (out of 4)	Combined Average of PLOs 1 & 2
3.5	2.5	3
3.5	3	3.5
4	4	4
3	4	3.5
3.5	3.5	3.5
3.5	4	3.5
4	4	4
3	2.5	2.5
(3.5	4	3.5
3	2	2.5
3	3	3
3.5	3	3.5
3	2.5 (2)	2.5
4	4	4
0 (plagiarized)	0 (plagiar)	0
3.5	3.5	3.5
3 & above=87.5%	3 & above=75%	Total = 75%

Q4.2. Are students doing well and meeting program standard? If not, how will the program work to improve student performance of the selected PLO? Students are meeting and exceeding program standard. Following were the criteria: 4 = Highly Competent 3 = Mostly Competent 2 = Slightly competent 1 = Barely competent The expected outcome was that 70% of students will be mostly competent with a 3 or more. As evident in the above table, most students exceeded expectations in both PLO's. To close the loop, faculty recognized that Findings although women's PLO 1: PLO 1: Exceeded studies majors have an Information expectation with excellent grasp of Literacy: Students nearly 88% of feminist perspectives show evidence of Target performance A direct measure students having an and have exceeded Understanding, for the assessment the final assignment assessment score expectations, they explaining & using of both PLO's was prompt for the above 3. Out of struggle a little with feminist that 70% of capstone seminar in these, 63% of complex theoretical perspectives. students would be Women's Studies: language and ability to students had a score mostly competent, Seminar in Feminist PLO 2: of 3.5 and above out think in complex ways. having an Theory-was used to Critical Thinking, Faculty will address of 4. assessment score of conduct this Inquiry & this gap during the 3 or above. assessment. PLO 2: 75% students Analysis: Students first meeting of the had 3 and above: Fall 2015 semester. are able to Analyze & about 50% had 3.5 We will also discuss and above. posting these PLOs comparatively and assessment evaluate theories results in department and arguments webpage. within Women's Studies.

- x 1. **Exceeded** expectation/standard
 - 2. Met expectation/standard
 - 3. Partially met expectation/standard
 - 4. Partially met expectation/standard
 - 5. No expectation or standard has been specified
 - 6. Don't know

Question Fullso of Assessm	ont Data	Closing	the Lea	nn1	
Question 5: Use of Assessm		<u> </u>			
Q5.1. As a result of the assessment effort in 2014-2015 and based on the prior feedback from OAPA, do you anticipate making any changes for your program (e.g., course structure, course content, or modification of PLOs)? 1. Yes 2. No (Go to Q6) 3. Don't know (Go to Q6) Q5.1.2. Do you have a plan to assess the impact of the changes that you anticipate making? 1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know	program as a description of	se describe wha result of your of how you plan ord limit: 300 wo	assessment to assess t	of this PLO. In	clude a
Q5.2. How have the assessment data from last year (2013 - 2014)	been used so t	far? [Check all th	nat apply]		
	(1) Very Much	(2) Quite a Bit	(3) Some	(4) Not at all	(8) N/A
1. Improving specific courses					
2. Modifying curriculum					
3. Improving advising and mentoring					
4. Revising learning outcomes/goals					
5. Revising rubrics and/or expectations					
6. Developing/updating assessment plan					
7. Annual assessment reports					
8. Program review					
9. Prospective student and family information					
10. Alumni communication					
11. WASC accreditation (regional accreditation)					
12. Program accreditation					
13. External accountability reporting requirement					
14. Trustee/Governing Board deliberations					
15. Strategic planning					
16. Institutional benchmarking					
17. Academic policy development or modification					
18. Institutional Improvement					
19. Resource allocation and budgeting					
20. New faculty hiring					
21. Professional development for faculty and staff					
22. Recruitment of new students					
23. Other Specify:					
Q5.2.1. Please provide a detailed example of how you used the as:	sessment data	above.			
The assessment data confirmed what we already knew about the provided by the OAPA Committee on our 2013-14 Assessment Reptheir recommendations following are the changes we made: 1) We specific target or expectation that 70% of our majors will be mostly	oort in order to e decided to as	o revise our Ass ssess two PLO's	sessment Pla s instead of	an for 2014-15. all; 2) we creat	Based on ed a

to rewrite the PLO's we assessed in 2014-15. In the coming academic year we have plans to include information regarding

Assessment in the roadmap as well as include the results of our Assessment in the department website.

Additional Assessment Activities
Q6. Many academic units have collected assessment data on aspects of a program that are not related to PLOs (i.e., impacts of an advising center, etc.). If your program/academic unit has collected data on the program elements, please briefly report your results here. [Word limit: 300]
 Q7. What PLO(s) do you plan to assess next year? 1. Critical thinking 2. Information literacy 3. Written communication 4. Oral communication 5. Quantitative literacy 6. Inquiry and analysis 7. Creative thinking 8. Reading 9. Team work 10. Problem solving 11. Civic knowledge and engagement 12. Intercultural knowledge and competency x 13. Ethical reasoning 14. Foundations and skills for lifelong learning 15. Global learning x 16. Integrative and applied learning 17. Overall competencies for GE Knowledge 18. Overall competencies in the major/discipline 19. Other, specify any PLOs that were assessed in 2014-2015 but not included above: a. b. c.
Q8. Have you attached any appendices? If yes, please list them all here: Appendix 1: Assignment Prompt Appendix 2: Complete Grading Rubric which was provided to students, even though only two main categories were assessed in 201-15.

	Pro	gram	Info	rmati	on					
P1. Program/Concentration Name(s):			P2.	P2. Program Director:						
P1.1. Report Authors: Sujatha Moni				1. Departr a Camero						
P3. Academic unit: Department, Program, or College: Women's Studies			P4. SSI	College:						
P5. Fall 2014 enrollment for Academic unit (See <u>Department Fact</u> <u>Book 2014</u> by the Office of Institutional Research for fall 2014 enrollment: 339			<u>ct</u> P6.	P6. Program Type: [Select only one] x 1. Undergraduate baccalaureate major 2. Credential 3. Master's degree 4. Doctorate (Ph.D./Ed.d) 5. Other. Please specify:						
Undergraduate Degree Program(s):			Mc	ster Deg						
P7. Number of undergraduate degree programs the academic unit has: 1				_	_		ee progr	ams the	acaden	nic unit has:
P7.1. List all the name(s): B.S. Women's Studies			P8.	P8.1. List all the name(s):						
P7.2. How many concentrations appear on th undergraduate program?	e diplom	a for this		P8.2. How many concentrations appear on the diploma for this master program?						
Credential Program(s): P9. Number of credential programs the acade	mic unit	has:	P10	P10. Number of doctorate degree programs the academic unit has:						
P9.1. List all the names:			P10	P10.1. List all the name(s):						
When was your assessment plan?	1. Before 2007-08	2. 2007-08	3. 2008-09	4. 2009-10	5. 2010-11	6. 2011-12	7. 2012-13	8. 2013-14	9. 2014-15	10. No formal plan
P11. Developed			х							
P12. Last updated									х	
								1. Yes	2. No	3. Don't Know
P13. Have you developed a curriculum map for this	s program	?						Х		
P14. Has the program indicated explicitly where th	e assessm	ent of stu	dent lea	rning occu	urs in the o	curriculun	n?		х	
P15. Does the program have any capstone class?								х		
P16. Does the program have ANY capstone project?					х					

Assessing Other Program Learning Outcomes (Optional)

If your program assessed PLOs not reported above, please summarize your assessment activities in the table below. If you completed part of the assessment process, but not the full process (for example, you revised a PLO and developed a new rubric for measuring it), then put N/A in any boxes that do not apply.

Report Assessment Activities on Additional PLOs Here

Q1: Program Learning Outcome (PLO)

Q2: Standard of Performance/ Target [Expectation

Q3: Methods/ Measures (Assignments) Q4: Data/Findings/ Conclusions

Q5: Use of Assessment Data/ Closing the Loop

Example: Educational Technology (iMet), MA

Critical Thinking Skills

6.1 Explanation of

6.2 Evidence

issues

6.3 Influence of

context and

assumptions

6.4 Student's

position

6.5 Conclusions and

related outcomes

(See Critical Thinking Rubric and data tables on Next

Page)

Seventy percent (70 %) of our students will score 3.0 or above in all □ five dimensions using the VALUE rubric by the time they graduate from the four semester program.

Culminating Experience Projects:

Master's Thesis

Students meet the standards of 6.1 (92%), 6.4 (77%) and 6.5 (69%). Students do not meet the standards of 6.2 (61%) and 6.3 (61%).

Students meet some of our Critical Thinking standards. The areas needing

improvement:

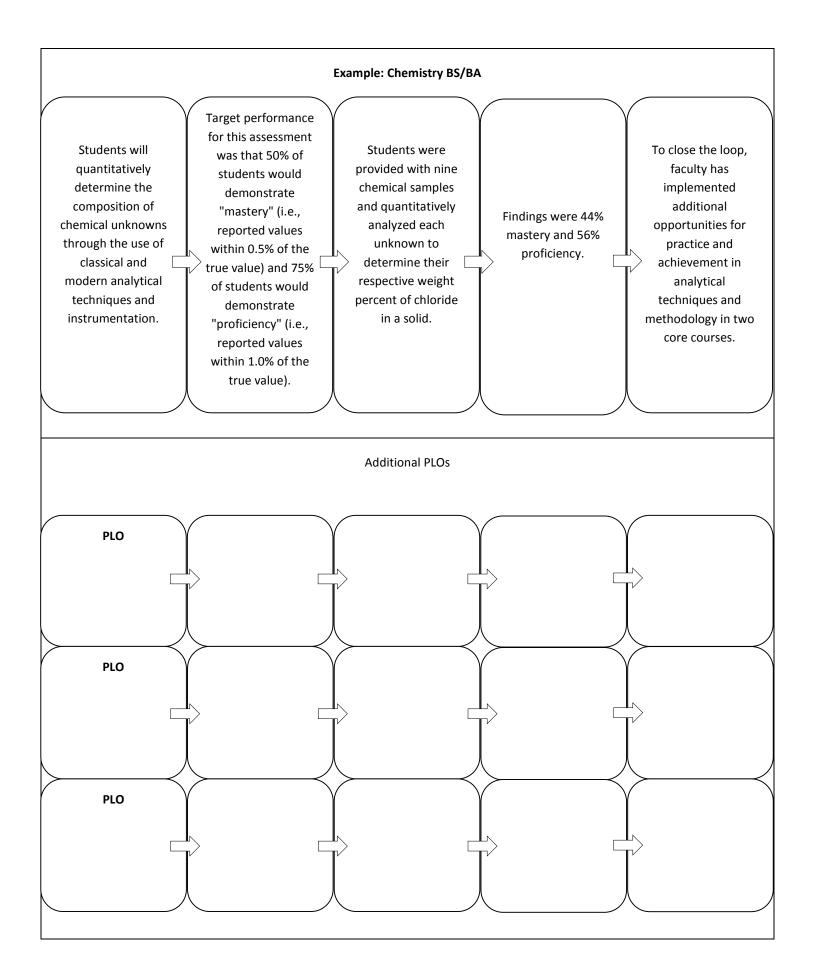
1). 6.2: Evidence (61%)

2). 6.3: Influence of context and assumptions (61%).

In order to help students in our program successfully become critical thinking researchers, we will design more classroom activities and assignments related to:

1). Re-examination of evidence (6.2) and context and assumptions (6.3) in the research

2). Require students to apply these skills as they compose comprehensive responses for all



Attachment I: The Development of Program Learning Outcomes

The Importance of Verbs

Multiple Interpretations:	Fewer Interpretations:
to grasp	to write
to know	to recite
to enjoy	to identify
to believe	to construct
to appreciate	to solve
to understand	to compare

Relevant Verbs in Defining Learning Outcomes

(Based on Bloom's Taxonomy)

Knowledge	Comprehension	Application	Analysis	Synthesis	Evaluation
Cite	Arrange	Apply	Analyze	Arrange	Appraise
Define	Classify	Change	Appraise	Assemble	Assess
Describe	Convert	Compute	Break Down	Categorize	Choose
Identify	Describe	Construct	Calculate	Collect	Compare
Indicate	Defend	Demonstrate	Categorize	Combine	Conclude
Know	Diagram	Discover	Compare	Compile	Contrast
Label	Discuss	Dramatize	Contrast	Compose	Criticize
List	Distinguish	Employ	Criticize	Construct	Decide
Match	Estimate	Illustrate	Debate	Create	Discriminate
Memorize	Explain	Interpret	Determine	Design	Estimate
Name	Extend	Investigate	Diagram	Devise	Evaluate
Outline	Generalize	Manipulate	Differentiate	Explain	Explain
Recall	Give Examples	Modify	Discriminate	Formulate	Grade
Recognize	Infer	Operate	Distinguish	Generate	Interpret
Record	Locate	Organize	Examine	Manage	Judge
Relate	Outline	Practice	Experiment	Modify	Justify
Repeat	Paraphrase	Predict	Identify	Organizer	Measure
Reproduce	Predict	Prepare	Illustrate	Perform	Rate
Select	Report	Produce	Infer	Plan	Relate
State	Restate	Schedule	Inspect	Prepare	Revise
Underline	Review	Shop	Inventory	Produce	Score
	Suggest	Sketch	Outline	Propose	Select
	Summarize	Solve	Question	Rearrange	Summarize
	Translate	Translate	Relate	Reconstruct	Support
		Use	Select	Relate	Value
			Solve	Reorganize	
			Test	Revise	

Attachment II: Simplified Annual Assessment Report

Basic Assessment

Q1. Program Learning Outcome **Q2.** Standards of Performance/Target Expectations

Q3. Methods/ Measures (Assignments) and Surveys **Q4.** Data/Findings/

Q5. Use of
Assessment Data/
Closing the Loop

Examples:

Chemistry, BS/BA (Example of Content Knowledge)

PLO 1:

Students will quantitatively determine the composition of chemical unknowns through the use of classical and modern analytical techniques and instrumentation.

Target performance for this assessment was that 50% of students would demonstrate "mastery" (i.e., reported values within 0.5% of the true value) and 75% of students would demonstrate "proficiency" (i.e., reported values within 1.0% of the true value).

Students were provided with nine chemical samples and quantitatively analyzed each unknown to determine their respective weight percent of chloride in a solid.

Findings were 44% mastery and 56% proficiency.

To close the loop, faculty has implemented additional opportunities for practice and achievement in analytical techniques and methodology in two core courses.

Educational Technology (iMet), MA (Example of Complicated Skills)

PLO 1:

Critical Thinking Skills

- **6.1** Explanation of issues
- 6.2 Evidence
- **6.3** Influence of context and assumptions
- **6.4** Student's position
- **6.5** Conclusions and related outcomes

(See Appendix III)

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(61%)
2). 6.3: Influence of context and assumptions (61%).

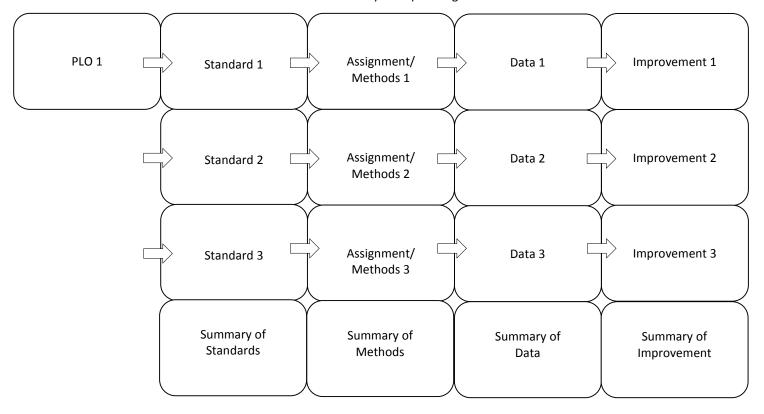
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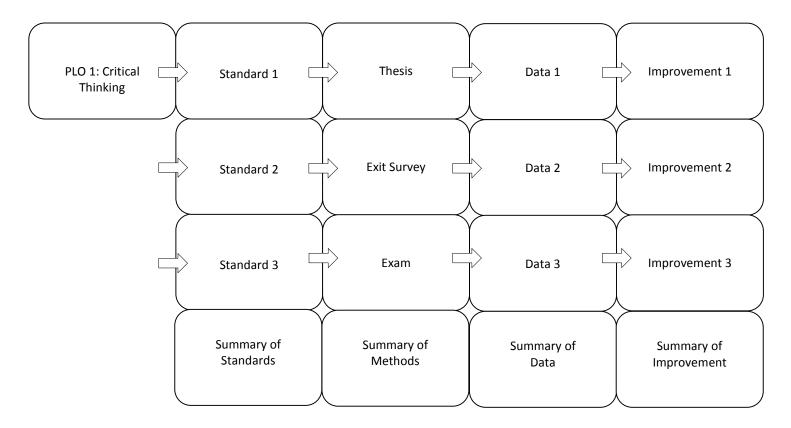
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Assessment Flowchart – Multiple Methods

One PLO Assessed by Multiple Assignments

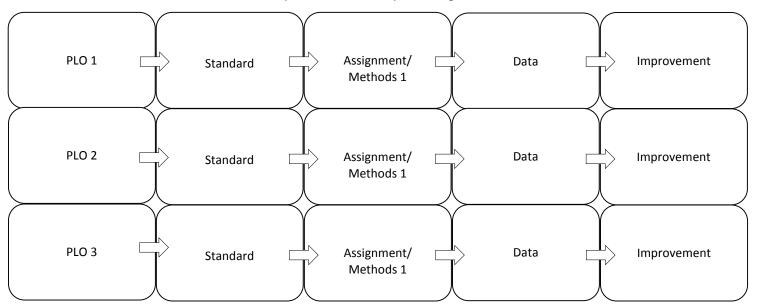


Multiple-Methods Example:

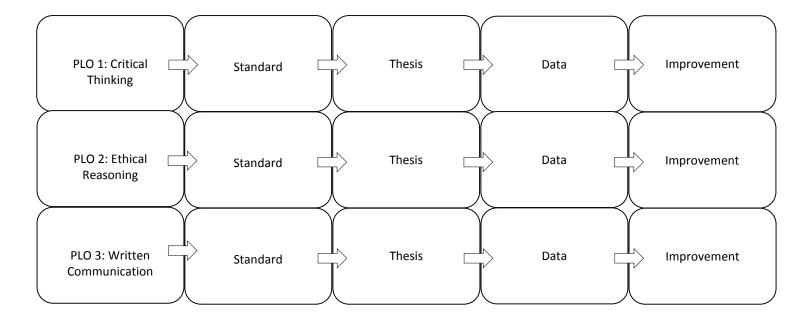


Assessment Flowchart - Multiple PLOs

Multiple PLOs Assessed by One Assignment



Multiple-PLOs Example



Attachment III: Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs) for the Educational Technology (iMet) Graduate Program

Table I: The Results for Critical Thinking Skill

Note: Data shown here drawn from Data Collection Sheet $^{\mathbf{1}}$

Different Levels ²	Capstone (4)	Milestone (3)	Milestone (2)	Benchmark (1)	Total (N=10)
Five Criteria (Areas) ²	(· /	(3)	(-)	(-)	
6.1: Explanation of issues	38%	54%	0%	8%	(100%, N=13)
6.2: Evidence	15%	46%	23%	15%	(100%, N=13)
6.3: Influence of context and assumptions	15%	46%	23%	15%	(100%, N=13)
6.4: Student's position	23%	54%	8%	15%	(100%, N=13)
6.5: Conclusions and related outcomes	15%	54%	15%	15%	(100%, N=13)

Standards of Performance for Education Technology (iMet) Graduate Students

Q2.3. If your program has an explicit standard(s) of performance for the selected PLO, describe the desired level of learning: Seventy percent (70 %) of our students will score 3.0 or above using the VALUE rubric by the time they graduate from the four semester program.

¹Critical Thinking Data Collection Sheet

Critical Tilling Bata Collection Sincet					
Different Levels ² Five Criteria (Areas) ²	(4)	(3)	(2)	(1)	Total (N=10)
6.1: Explanation of issues	5	7	0	1	(N=13)
6.2: Evidence	2	6	3	2	(N=13)
6.3: Influence of context and assumptions	2	6	3	2	(N=13)
6.4: Student's position	3	7	1	2	(N=13)
6.5: Conclusions and related outcomes		7	2	2	(N=13)

²Critical Thinking Value Rubric

Criterion	Capstone 4	Milestone 3	Milestone 2	Benchmark 1	
6.1: Explanation of issues	Issue/problem to be considered critically is stated clearly and described comprehensively, delivering all relevant information necessary for full understanding.	Issue/problem to be considered critically is stated, described, and clarified so that understanding is not seriously impeded by omissions.	Issue/problem to be considered critically is stated but description leaves some terms undefined, ambiguities unexplored, boundaries undetermined, and/or backgrounds unknown.	Issue/problem to be considered critically is stated without clarification or description.	
6.2: Evidence Selecting and using information to investigate a point of view or conclusion	Information is taken from source(s) with enough interpretation/evaluation to develop a comprehensive analysis or synthesis.	Information is taken from source(s) with enough interpretation/evaluation to develop a coherent analysis or synthesis.	Information is taken from source(s) with some interpretation/evaluation, but not enough to develop a coherent analysis or synthesis.	Information is taken from source(s) without any interpretation/evaluati on. Viewpoints of experts are taken as fact, without question.	
6.3: Influence of context and assumptions	Thoroughly (systematically and methodically) analyzes own and others' assumptions and carefully evaluates the relevance of contexts when presenting a position.	Identifies own and others' assumptions and several relevant contexts when presenting a position.	Questions some assumptions. Identifies several relevant contexts when presenting a position. May be more aware of others' assumptions than one's own (or vice versa).	Shows an emerging awareness of present assumptions (sometimes labels assertions as assumptions).	
6.4: Student's position (perspective, thesis/hypothesis)	Specific position (perspective, thesis/hypothesis) is imaginative, taking into account the complexities of an issue. Limits of position (perspective, thesis/hypothesis) are acknowledged. Others' points of view are synthesized within position.	Specific position (perspective, thesis/hypothesis) takes into account the complexities of an issue. Others' points of view are acknowledged within position (perspective, thesis/hypothesis).	Specific position (perspective, thesis/hypothesis) acknowledges different sides of an issue.	Specific position (perspective, thesis/hypothesis) is stated, but is simplistic and obvious.	
6.5: Conclusions and related outcomes (implications and consequences)	Conclusions and related outcomes (consequences and implications) are logical and reflect students' informed evaluation and ability to place evidence and perspectives discussed in priority order.	tied to a range of to information (I information is chatistical and ation and ability to place nce and perspectives tied to a range of to information is chatistical and information, including opposing viewpoints; the desired concaving and perspectives tied to a range of to information (I information is chatistical and information is chatistical and information is chatistical and information (I information is chatistical and information is chatitistical and information information information is chatitistical and information		Conclusion is inconsistently tied to some of the information discussed; related outcomes (consequences and implications) are oversimplified.	

Appendix I: Critical Thinking Value Rubric for PLO 6: Critical Thinking Skill (Rubric to Assess Master Thesis and ePortfolio)

Criterion	Capstone	Milestone	Milestone	Benchmark
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6.1: Explanation of issues	Issue/problem to be considered critically is stated clearly and described comprehensively, delivering all relevant information necessary for full understanding.	Issue/problem to be considered critically is stated, described, and clarified so that understanding is not seriously impeded by omissions.	Issue/problem to be considered critically is stated but description leaves some terms undefined, ambiguities unexplored, boundaries undetermined, and/or backgrounds unknown.	Issue/problem to be considered critically is stated without clarification or description.
6.2: Evidence	Information is taken from	Information is taken from	Information is taken from	Information is taken
Selecting and	source(s) with enough	source(s) with enough	source(s) with some	from source(s) without
using information	interpretation/evaluation to	interpretation/evaluation to	interpretation/evaluation,	any
to investigate a	develop a comprehensive	develop a coherent analysis	but not enough to develop a	interpretation/evaluati
point of view or	analysis or synthesis.	or synthesis.	coherent analysis or	on.
conclusion			synthesis.	Viewpoints of experts
				are taken as fact, without question.
6.3: Influence of context and assumptions 6.4: Student's position (perspective, thesis/hypothesi	Thoroughly (systematically and methodically) analyzes own and others' assumptions and carefully evaluates the relevance of contexts when presenting a position. Specific position (perspective, thesis/hypothesis) is imaginative, taking into account the complexities of an	Identifies own and others' assumptions and several relevant contexts when presenting a position. Specific position (perspective, thesis/hypothesis) takes into account the complexities of	Questions some assumptions. Identifies several relevant contexts when presenting a position. May be more aware of others' assumptions than one's own (or vice versa). Specific position (perspective, thesis/hypothesis) acknowledges different sides	Shows an emerging awareness of present assumptions (sometimes labels assertions as assumptions). Specific position (perspective, thesis/hypothesis) is stated, but is simplistic
s)	issue. Limits of position (perspective, thesis/hypothesis) are acknowledged. Others' points of view are synthesized within position.	an issue. Others' points of view are acknowledged within position (perspective, thesis/hypothesis).	of an issue.	and obvious.
6.5: Conclusions	Conclusions and related	Conclusion is logically tied to	Conclusion is logically tied to	Conclusion is
and related	outcomes (consequences and	a range of information,	information (because	inconsistently tied to
outcomes	implications) are logical and	including opposing	information is chosen to fit	some of the
(implications and	reflect student's informed	viewpoints; related	the desired conclusion);	information discussed;
consequences)	evaluation and ability to place	outcomes (consequences	some related outcomes	related outcomes
	evidence and perspectives discussed in priority order.	and implications) are identified clearly.	(consequences and implications) are identified clearly.	(consequences and implications) are oversimplified.

Standards and Achievement Targets: 70 % of our first year graduate students should score **3 or above** by the time of their graduation.

Appendix II: Key Assessment for the iMET Program Culminating Experience Report

Culminating Experience Report (Action Research Report): The main task in action research is to design and implement a study using data collection tools that will allow you to "show" the reader what happened during and as a result of your intervention. After collecting your data, you will sort through your findings, looking for bits of data that reveal some information pertinent to your study. You then look for relationships (patterns) between these bits or pieces. The patterns that emerge from a variety of sources such as things that happen, things that you observe, things that people say and things that you measure result in your findings (conclusions).

Suggested Headings for iMET Action Research Report

Title Page Abstract Introduction

Statement Of The Problem Significance Research Questions Definitions

Review of Literature Methods

Description of the Innovation/Intervention Setting Limitations/Delimitations of the Study Data Collection

Types of data collected.

Subjects.

Variables.

Steps taken.

Data Analysis

Procedures.

Validity and reliability.

Findings Discussion References Appendices

Appendix III: Key Assessment for the iMET Program ePortfolio

The iMET culminating experience is an ePortfolio consisting of:

- 1. **Abstract**: Simply put, the portfolio abstract is an introduction to your e-portfolio. The basic components of the abstract includes elements such as:
 - a welcome to the reader
 - an overview of the portfolio components
 - an introduction to the navigation of the portfolio
- 2. **Process**: The process section of the portfolio consists of a personal reflection on your experience of the iMET program and a resume. In addition, many students include a narrative of their teaching history and philosophy in this section.
- 3. **Products:** In the product section of the portfolio, you link artifacts (products) you have created during your time in the program. Each product you include in the product section must be accompanied by:
 - a description of how the product was conceived (what was the individual or group process that led to the creation of the product).
 - a description of how technology and teaching strategies were utilized
 - standards covered by the use of the product
 - feedback on the product you have received from received 2 peers and 1 faculty on your project
 - Most portfolio's contain at least 3-5 Artifacts
- 4. Report: Literature Review and Action Research

Literature Review: The goal of the literature review is to introduce your readers to your research by synthesizing for them what has been written about your area of focus. It is also a place where you address the educational theories that motivated the design of your research. Ultimately, the review of literature should set the stage for your discussion of your research. Also remember that, though you can use a variety of sources, it is very important to share primary sources of information.

Action Research: The main task in action research is to design and implement a study using data collection tools that will allow you to "show" the reader what happened during and as a result of your intervention. After collecting your data, you will sort through your findings, looking for bits of data that reveal some information pertinent to your study. You then look for relationships (patterns) between these bits or pieces. The patterns that emerge from a variety of sources such as things that happen, things that you observe, things that people say and things that you measure result in your findings (conclusions).

5. Symposium: Electronic Poster and/or Webinar

WOMS 180: Assignment II

Your goal in this paper is to choose a particular institution, organization or social problem and use feminist theory to: a) identify a specific set of feminist problems within this institution or organization, b) analyze the structures of power operating within this space, and c) examine alternative structures and frameworks for addressing the feminist concerns within this space.

Throughout your analysis, develop comparisons among **3** different theoretical frameworks from a minimum of 5 different essays you have read in this course, starting from postcolonial theory up to the end of the semester. Discuss specific feminist issues or problems around which you can develop your comparisons.

Examples of Topics: the school system or higher education; hospital; legal establishment (such as the district attorney's office OR legal aid services, etc.); law enforcement; government; homeless or domestic violence shelters; childcare centers; a private corporation; state government services, social welfare; prisons; a sport, cultural festival, gay marriage, hate crimes, the economic crisis, war, media & pop culture; music videos; global economic practices, media, multi-cultural centers, immigration reform, reproductive rights, revolutions, etc.

Here are some Questions to get you thinking: How do feminist theories help you understand this particular institution and the structuring of power relations within it? What strategies do theories offer in challenging and dismantling intersecting discourses of gender, race, class, and culture? What possibilities for global feminist identity politics can you come up with based on your feminist reading of this particular institution?

Try to come up with a specific conclusion regarding the effectiveness of these theories and their contribution to the advancement of feminist scholarship.

Paper should be minimum 12-15 pages long in Times New Roman 12 font, double spaced with 1" margins all around in a format of your choice. Use both in-class and outside sources to develop your analysis. **Minimum 10 sources required with at least 5 texts from class**. Everyone should submit a 2 page proposal and get my approval on selected topic. Email or talk to me if you need help/clarifications. Enjoy writing the paper!

Grading Rubric for 180 Final Assignment

Grading Criteria	4 – Highly	3 – Mostly	2 – Slightly	1 – Barely
	Competent	Competent	Competent	Competent
1) Information Literacy: Understand, explain & use feminist perspectives. 2) Critical Thinking, Inquiry & Analysis: Analyze & comparatively evaluate theories and arguments within Women's Studies.	A clear application and mastery of feminist theory. Excellent evaluation of complex arguments within and between texts.	Application of feminist theory with Clear interpretation of texts with comparative perspectives.	Some application of feminist theory Over all interpretation and analysis okay, with problems in some places.	Hardly any application of feminist theory Several interpretation problems.
3) Feminist Perspectives 1) Application of feminist perspectives to social issues/institutions or organization	Excellent application of theories to social context	Suitable application of feminist theories to social context	Theories are somewhat applied to context.	There is somewhat of an attempt to apply theory to context.
4) Effective Communication 1) Syntax, Grammar & Organization 2) Audience Engagement	Paper is well organized with excellent intro, strong paragraphs, transitions, adequate supporting quotes, summary & critical analysis. Paper is engaging, with no grammar errors.	Well organized with good ideas and well developed paras, supporting quotes and explanations. Topic is quite interesting & there may be slight grammar errors.	Organization needs improvement. Paragraphs are weak, lacking transitions. Either too much summary, or very little explanation of context. Needs supporting quotes. Topic is somewhat engaging for audience. Several grammar errors.	Lacks organization, poorly constructed paragraphs. Discussion not adequate. Lacks quotes, arguments, & substantial context. Topic is not engaging. There may or may not be several grammar errors.